

Message Text

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 01 USUN N 03834 202213Z

15

ACTION SS-25

INFO OCT-01 ISO-00 SSO-00 NSCE-00 /026 W

----- 106599

O 202139Z SEP 76

FM USMISSION USUN NEWYORK

TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 9294

INFO AMEMBASSY SEOUL IMMEDIATE

C O N F I D E N T I A L USUN 3834

EXDIS

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, UNGA, KS, KN, UR

SUBJ: KOREA AT 31ST UNGA: PRO-DPRK APPROACH REGARDING
WITHDRAWAL OF RESOLUTIONS

REF: A) USUN 3736; B) SCRANTON-HABIB TELECON, SEPTEMBER 20

1. AMBASSADOR DATCU OF ROMANIA (CHAIRMAN OF EASTERN EUROPEAN GROUP) CALLED AT HIS REQUEST ON GOVERNOR SCRANTON MORNING OF SEPTEMBER 20. DATCU SAID HE HAD BEEN APPROACHED BY NORTH KOREANS AND THAT LATTER WERE INSTRUCTED TO SEEK WITHDRAWAL OF HOSTILE RESOLUTION. DATCU ASKED FOR SCRANTON'S COOPERATION. SCRANTON ASSURED HIM HE WOULD HAVE IT. DATCU ADDED EASTERN EUROPEAN GROUP WOULD MEET BEFORE LUNCH.

2. SCRANTON THEN CALLED ON ROK FOREIGN MINISTER PARK TO DISCUSS THIS. PARK SAID HE HOPED THAT WITHDRAWAL OF RESOLUTIONS COULD BE ARRANGED BECAUSE OUR SIDE HAS BEEN MAKING CLEAR SINCE THE BEGINNING ITS DESIRE TO AVOID CONFRONTATION. PARK EXPRESSED APPRECIATION FOR THIS INFORMATION OF "GREAT SIGNIFICANCE". HE SAID THAT IF OTHER SIDE WOULD PLEDGE FORMALLY TO TAKE BACK ITS ITEM AND RESOLUTION THIS COULD REFLECT "PROGRESS".

3. SCRANTON SAID THAT HE HOPED OUR SIDE WOULD NOT PLAY UP THIS DEVELOPMENT AS A "GREAT VICTORY".

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 02 USUN N 03834 202213Z

4. PARK ASKED HOW OTHER SIDE INTENDED TO PUT IN ITS

REQUEST FOR WITHDRAWAL. SCRANTON AGREED TO SEEK DETAILS AND SAID HE WOULD KEEP PARK FULLY INFORMED AS TO DEVELOPMENTS.

5. AMBASSADOR SHERER SHORTLY THEREAFTER TELEPHONED DATCU ON BEHALF OF SCRANTON TO RELAY SOUTH KOREAN REACTION AND TO ASK DETAILS AS TO HOW OTHER SIDE PLANNED WITHDRAW ITS RESOLUTION. DATCU SAID THAT WITHDRAWAL WOULD BE BY MEANS OF "VERY SIMPLE" LETTER TO SECRETARY GENERAL SIGNED BY ALL COSPONSORS OF PRO-DPRK RESOLUTION. HE SAID THE EASTERN EUROPEAN GROUP WOULD BE MEETING AT 12:20 TO ENDORSE IDEA OF WITHDRAWAL. THIS IDEA WOULD BE PRESENTED TO GROUP BY NORTH KOREANS. SUBSEQUENTLY, THERE WOULD BE MEETING OF ALL COSPONSORS OF PRO-DPRK RESOLUTION TO SIGN LETTER OF WITHDRAWAL. THE LETTER OF WITHDRAWAL WOULD BE DEPOSITED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE AND IN ANY EVENT BEFORE THE GENERAL COMMITTEE CONVENED ON SEPTEMBER 22. DATCU GAVE HIS ASSURANCES THAT ONCE THE LETTER WAS DEPOSITED THERE WOULD BE NO EFFORTS TO REINSCRIBE A PRO-DPRK ITEM "AT LEAST DURING THIS UNGA." IN RELY TO SHERER'S QUESTION, DATCU SAID THAT THE CHINESE HAD "TAKEN NOTE" WHEN INFORMED OF NORTH KOREAN WISH TO WITHDRAW THE PRO-DPRK RESOLUTION. DATCU PROMISED TO KEEP SCRANTON AND SHERER INFORMED OF DEVELOPMENTS. DATCU SUBSEQUENTLY ADVISED THAT THE EAST EUROPEANS GROUP HAD ENDORSED WITH WITHDRAWAL AND THAT A MEETING OF ALL PRO-DPRK RESOLUTION'S COSPONSORS WAS SLATED FOR 4:00 PM MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 20.

6. FRIENDLY CORE GROUP SCHEDULED TO MEET AT AMBASSADORIAL-LEVEL AT 4:30 PM ON MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 20. AT THIS MEETING, US WILL REPORT ON DATCU'S APPROACH TO SCRANTON AS WELL AS, PURSUANT DEPARTMENT'S INSTRUCTION (REF B), RECOMMEND COURSE OF ACTION LEADING TO WITHDRAWAL OF FRIENDLY ITEM AS SOON AS OTHER SIDE HAS WITHDRAWN ITS RESOLUTION. SCRANTON

CONFIDENTIAL

NNN

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: Z
Capture Date: 01 JAN 1994
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: UNGA RESOLUTIONS, DIPLOMATIC DISCUSSIONS, NEGOTIATIONS
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Draft Date: 20 SEP 1976
Decaption Date: 28 MAY 2004
Decaption Note: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Action: RELEASED
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Authority: coburnhl
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Date: 28 MAY 2004
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1976USUNN03834
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: n/a
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: GS
Errors: N/A
Film Number: D760355-0423
From: USUN NEW YORK
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1976/newtext/t19760939/aaaabhsu.tel
Line Count: 97
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM
Office: ACTION SS
Original Classification: CONFIDENTIAL
Original Handling Restrictions: EXDIS
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 2
Previous Channel Indicators: n/a
Previous Classification: CONFIDENTIAL
Previous Handling Restrictions: EXDIS
Reference: 76 USUN NEW YORK 3736
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Authority: coburnhl
Review Comment: n/a
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 19 MAY 2004
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review History: RELEASED <19 MAY 2004 by woolflhd>; APPROVED <15 SEP 2004 by coburnhl>
Review Markings:

Margaret P. Grafeld
Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
04 MAY 2006

Review Media Identifier:
Review Referrals: n/a
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: KOREA AT 31ST UNGA: PRO-DPRK APPROACH REGARDING WITHDRAWAL OF RESOLUTIONS
TAGS: PFOR, KS, KN, UR, UNGA
To: STATE
Type: TE
Markings: Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 04 MAY 2006